

Road Safety on Four Continents

Bangkok, Thailand, 14-16 November 2007





TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH BOARD

CALL FOR PAPERS

Invitation to attend an International Conference in Bangkok, Thailand



INVITATION

Together with the Ministry of Transport, Thailand, we have the pleasure of inviting you to the 14th International Conference on Road Safety to be held in Bangkok, Thailand, on 14-16 November 2007. The conference is organized by the Swedish National Road and Transport Research Institute (VTI), with active support of GRSP (Global Road Safety Partnership), FERSI (Forum of European Road Safety Research Institutes), TRB (Transportation Research Board) and ECTRI (European Conference of Transport Research Institutes). The host organisation in Thailand includes the Transport Safety Planning Bureau in the Office of Transport and Traffic Policy and Planning (OTP).

Co-operating organisations

In view of the wide scope of this conference co-operation is thought from the following international organisations dealing fully or partially with Road Safety: WHO, UNESCAP, PIARC, OECD/ECMT, World Bank, PRI, ETSC, ITE and others.

BACKGROUND AND SCOPE

This conference is the 14th in a series of road safety conferences starting in 1987 with emphasis on two continents, Europe and North America. In year 2000 the conference included three continents, also Africa, and in 2005 emphasis was even broader with four continents including Asia. However, even if emphasis has been on four continents the organisers welcome participation from other continents and during Road Safety 2005 a number of delegates from South America and Australia took part in the conference.

The main objective of the Conference is to explore emerging research and developments in the area of Road

Safety. Special emphasis will be towards the application of research and to involve developing countries and countries in transition both as presenters and as delegates. A principle theme is the pros and cons of applied research done in the 'north' to problems in the 'south'.

THEMES AND TOPICS

Main themes of the conference are:

- Exchange of new findings on road safety
- Transfer of road safety knowledge
- Exchange of evaluated good practises
- Road Safety, a Working Environment Problem

The Conference will cover the following topics:

- 1. Road safety plans and strategies
- 2. Safety management techniques including speed management
- 3. Crash recording systems, policy information systems and black spot analyses and evaluation
- 4. Road user education, driver licenses, special user groups: young, old, vulnerable
- 5. Vehicle innovations and ITS applications
- 6. Traffic engineering innovations including road design and behavioural issues
- 7. Distraction, fatigue, alcohol and drugs related adverse effects on driving
- 8. Economic and financial issues, cost benefit and evaluation
- 9. Enforcement techniques, traffic laws and self enforcing designs
- 10. Urban safety, traffic calming, and slow traffic
- 11. Interurban and rural safety, intersections, incident management
- 12. Preventive safety measures, audits, safety inspections
- 13. Modelling and evaluation techniques
- 14. Road safety as working environment issue
- 15. Other related subjects: Health issues, raising awareness,- campaigns

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The international research community, national safety experts, decision makers and all other with an interest in road safety development.

CONFERENCE FORMAT AND PROGRAM

The Conference will include technical sessions with oral paper presentations by key note speakers and authors. Some sessions will consist of discussions and round tables related to key topics. In the event of very high interest and more papers than can be accepted for full oral presentation the organisers intend to arrange poster sessions. Some key-note speakers will be invited and give presentations on selected topics.

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Organizing Committee of this 14th Road Safety Conference welcomes everybody who would like to prepare and submit a paper related to the conference theme and topics outlined. Contrary to some other conferences there will not be a selection of abstracts. The full papers will be reviewed. Based on the review authors can be invited to present the paper in an oral session or a poster session. Work-shops and interactive sessions may also be included in the programme. The conference language will be English. Papers should be submitted electronically. Terms of submission are described at the homepage, www.vti.se/RS4C. The deadline for paper submission is 1st of May 2007. Authors should permit publication of their paper with all other papers on the conference CD-ROM.

DEADLINES AND DATES

15 December 2006: 1st Announcement and Call for

papers, opening of homepage
1 May 2007: Deadline Submission of papers

15 June 2007: Notification to authors
1 July 2007: Deadline for application of

support to GRSP

15 July 2007: Preliminary programme on

homepage

15 September 2007: Final program 14-16 November 2007: CONFERENCE



FINANCIAL SUPPORT

The organisers wish to encourage participation from developing countries. Papers relating to research or the application of research results in developing countries are very welcome. Authors of such papers, particularly authors from developing countries, may apply for financial support to attend from GRSP. Any financial support from GRSP will be conditional on a paper being submitted and accepted by the scientific committee in the normal way. Authors wishing to apply for financial support to attend should contact GRSP at grsp@ifrc.org. The deadline for application of support is July 1st 2007.

CONFERENCE SECRETARIAT

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COMMITTEES

International advisory committee

An international advisory committee from the organisers and supporting organisations will be set up.

Scientific committee

A scientific committee, who will assist on the scientific programme and make the review of proposed papers, will be set up.

HOMEPAGE

Please visit our homepage www.vti.se/RS4C for all information and latest news about the conference.

INQUIRIES

Inquiries about the conference can be sent to RS4C@vti.se



Conference Patronage



Organiser



Supporting Organisations







